

**MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The City of Jesup Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber. Mayor Shaw called the meeting to order. Roll call was as follows:

Mayor, Herb Shaw	Present
Commissioner, Lauren Drury Amis	Present
Commissioner, Don A. Darden, Sr.	Present
Commissioner, Gerald DeWitt	Present
Commissioner, Geneva Nichols	Present
Commissioner, Ricky Reddish, Sr.	Late
Commissioner, Bobby Townsend	Present
City Attorney, Alvin Leaphart	Present
City Manager, Onda Woodard	Present
Acting Police Chief, Glenn Takaki	Present

The Lord's Prayer was led by City Attorney Leaphart.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Acting Police Chief Takaki.

Mayor Shaw welcomed Ms. Tara Thornton to the meeting.

Commissioner Townsend made motion seconded by Commissioner Amis to approve the minutes of the regular meeting dated June 16, 2009.

Commissioner DeWitt abstained. All remaining Council present voted yes.

Commissioner Reddish arrived.

Acting Police Chief Takaki stated due to an increase in animal control complaints received, the present Ordinance needs to be revised.

Acting Police Chief Takaki recommended including the following items to improve animal control: Mediation Hearing Officer, Dog Hearing Board (Magistrate Judge), Revised Animal Control Ordinance, Fine Structure, and Increased Impound Fees.

Council suggested the Cities of Jesup, Odum, and Screven, and Wayne County adopt the same Animal Control Ordinance to avoid confusion.

Acting Police Chief Takaki stated Screven has their own animal control, but he would meet with all governmental entities.

Commissioner Townsend made motion seconded by Commissioner Amis to increase dog impound fees, effective immediately, as follows:

1 st offense	\$50.00
2 nd offense	\$100.00
3 rd offense	\$150.00

All Council voted yes.

Mayor Shaw requested approval to invite Georgia Center for Local Government to give a presentation on cellular tower lease agreements.

All Council agreed.

City Manager Woodard stated she has been contacted by Concerted Services about the air conditioning unit needing to be replaced, which was not budgeted.

Commissioner DeWitt stated the City needs to replace the air conditioning unit, and give Concerted Services advanced notice about entering a building lease agreement.

Commissioner DeWitt made motion seconded by Commissioner Townsend to accept the low quote of \$5,600.00 from J & W Heating and Air on a new air conditioning unit for the Concerted Services building, and meet with them about entering into a lease agreement.

Commissioner Darden and Commissioner Nichols voted no. All remaining Council voted yes.

Quotes were as follows:

Altamaha Heating & Air	\$10,938
Blue Collar Enterprises	\$6,200
J & W Heating & Air	\$5,600

City Manager Woodard updated Council on the emergency sewer problems on South Palm Street. She stated Precision Pipe is laying new pipe and estimates costs at \$25,000 - \$28,000. SPLOST monies will be used.

Commissioner Nichols inquired about the collection of delinquent property taxes.

City Manager Woodard stated another notice has been mailed to the property owners, and some have paid. The remaining list will be compiled and submitted to City Attorney Leaphart.

Commissioner Amis appointed Mr. Dan Clary to replace Mr. Freddie Miller on the Planning and Zoning Board.

Commissioner Darden inquired about the status of the law enforcement building renovation balance due from the City.

City Manager Woodard stated she had contacted County Administrator Mike Deal and he said the City owes a balance of \$300,000.00. She informed Council \$100,000.00 will be remitted to the County on July 10, 2009.

Commissioner DeWitt requested an up-to-date itemization of the law enforcement building renovation expenses be obtained from the County.

Meeting Adjourned,

Rose Marcus-Jackson
City Clerk/Treasurer

